

North Carolina Immunization Program Annual 12th Grade Immunization Report Instructions 2021-2022

North Carolina immunization law (G.S. 130A-155(c)) requires all public, private and religious schools to submit an annual immunization report on kindergarten, 7th grade, and 12th grade students. The purpose of these reports is to ensure that all children enrolled in school are protected against vaccine-preventable diseases and to determine the number of children who meet state immunization requirements. Remember that it is the principal's responsibility to ensure accurate and complete data is submitted to the Immunization Branch by the legislatively mandated due date.

Executive Order 234, dated September 24th, 2021, provides an extension to North Carolina's current proof-of-immunization requirement deadlines for students enrolled in public, private or religious educational institutions. North Carolina G.S. 130A-155(a) requires proof of required immunizations within 30 days of the first date of attendance of school. Executive Order 234 extends the 30-day 'grace period' to end on **November 30th**, 2021 for all students whose first day of attendance is on or before 11/1/2020. Executive Order 234 also extends the period in which annual immunization reports must be submitted to NCDHHS, as mandated by G.S. 130A-155, to **January 15, 2022**.

The immunization requirements apply to all children in North Carolina, regardless of the type of school setting, whether children are home-schooled or attend school in-person or by remote learning, they are required by state law to be immunized based on their age for certain vaccinations as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

If a certificate of immunization is not presented by the November 1, 2021, the principal or operator shall give a notice of deficiency to the parent, guardian, or responsible person. The parent, guardian or responsible person shall then have 30 calendar days to obtain the required immunization(s) for the child. If a child or adolescent does not have the appropriate documentation after 30 calendar days, the student shall be excluded from school (including in-person, remote learning, and virtual education) until compliant with the requirements.

INSTRUCTIONS

Please note: The information collected through this report is related to compliance as of the <u>30th</u> <u>calendar day</u>. Pursuant to Executive Order 234, the 30-day grace period ends on 11/30/2021 for all students whose first day of attendance is on or before 11/1/2020 for the 2021-2022 school year.

1. Official School Start Date:

Enter the official first day of school (in-person, remote learning, virtual education).

2. Total 12th Grade Enrollment

Enter the number of students enrolled in 12th grade at your school, including those who may

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be repeating the grade.

- 3. 12th Grade Immunization Summary (as of calendar day 30). <u>Please assign each student to only</u> one of the below categories (a-d), so that a+b+c+d=total enrollment.
 - a. How many students had a valid medical exemption to meningococcal conjugate vaccine?
 - i. Enter the number of students enrolled in 12th grade with a valid medical exemption to meningococcal conjugate vaccine.
 - ii. Please refer to North Carolina G.S.130A-156 for more information. http://www.immunize.nc.gov/schools/ncexemptions.htm
 - b. How many students had a valid religious exemption to meningococcal conjugate vaccine?
 - i. Enter the number of students enrolled in 12th grade with a valid religious exemption to meningococcal conjugate vaccine.
 - ii. Please refer to North Carolina G.S.130A-157 for more information. http://www.immunize.nc.gov/schools/ncexemptions.htm
 - c. How many students had obtained the required meningococcal conjugate vaccine?
 - Enter the number of students that <u>had</u> obtained (received) the required meningococcal conjugate vaccine for school entry within 30 calendar days. Do <u>NOT</u> include students with a medical or religious exemption.
 - ii. For more information on immunizations required for 12th grade entry in North Carolina, please visit: http://www.immunize.nc.gov/schools/k-12.htm
 - d. How many students <u>had not</u> obtained the required meningococcal conjugate vaccine for school entry?
 - i. Enter the number of students that <u>had not</u> obtained (received) the required meningococcal conjugate vaccine for school entry within 30 calendar days. This includes students with <u>no immunization record</u> on file as well as students <u>missing</u> <u>documentation for the required vaccine</u>. Do <u>NOT</u> include students with a medical or religious exemption.
 - e. TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS REVIEWED (a + b + c + d):

This number must equal the total 12th grade enrollment reported in Question 2.

4. Of the students reported in question 3d as not having a record on file or missing documentation of receiving the required immunization for school entry, how many were not permitted to attend school after the 30th calendar day from the first day ofattendance?

Enter the number of students who were not allowed to attend school (excluded) because they did not meet the state immunization requirements written in NCGS 130A-155 (a) that states that "If the administration of vaccine in a series of doses given at medically approved intervals requires a period in excess of 30 calendar days, additional days upon certification by a physician may be allowed to obtain the required immunization. Upon termination of 30 days or the extended period, the principal or operator shall not permit the child to attend the school or

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facility unless the required immunization has been obtained."

5. How many students did not meet the immunization requirement for school entry within 30 calendar days of their first attendance and were given additional time to obtain the required immunization (due to minimum dose intervals)?

Enter the number of students who did not meet the state immunization requirement within 30 calendar days of their first attendance, that were given an extension due to the minimum dosing intervals for one or more of the immunizations required for school entry. NCGS 130A-155 (a) states that "If the administration of vaccine in a series of doses given at medically approved intervals requires a period in excess of 30 calendar days, additional days upon certification by a physician may be allowed to obtain the required immunization. Upon termination of 30 days or the extended period, the principal or operator shall not permit the child to attend the school or facility unless the required immunization has been obtained."

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